

## FROZEN TO DEATH IN A CELL

THE LATEST FACTS ABOUT THE POLICE COURT MURDER.

The History of Azel P. Newkirk—An Eminent Criminal Lawyer and Speaker of the Indiana Legislature—What Wm. C. Dunham Says about Himself.

Mr. Hyatt Frost, joint proprietor and manager of Van Amburgh's messenger, says that he has known Mr. Azel P. Newkirk, who was in his 87th year, ever since the latter was a boy. He belonged to one of the best families in Indiana. He received

D. Smith, at one time Secretary of the Interior, he was in partnership with Judge Jeremiah M. Wilson, now member of Congress from the Fourth District of Indiana, and with Judge Rold of Connersville, the same State. Mr. A. P. Newkirk's brother is a wealthy furniture manufacturer of Connersville, a deacon of the Methodist Church, and one of the most upright and influential men in the West.

The deceased gentleman was a member of the Indiana Legislature, and Speaker of the House for two years. He had the reputation of being the ablest criminal lawyer in Indiana, and was the intimate associate of public men, judges, and first-class lawyers throughout the State. Eight or ten years ago he unfortunately took to drink, but was subsequently reclaimed. For the last two years he

Anburg's menagerie. Mr. Frost says he was the best man in that department he ever knew. He was BONGRADE, COUNTERS, AND TRUSTWORTHY. He had sole charge of all contracts for printing and advertising. Thousands of dollars have been expended in the city of Anburg, and he has seen the money go. He has been in the menagerie often sent five hundred miles ahead of the manager to make needed arrangements and prepare the public mind. In this he was most successful. He has directed the sign giving to the management, and always accounted faithfully to the owner. He was paid out. So judicious and careful was he that in not one instance was he known to have spent more than he was authorized. He never without showing ample and satisfactory receipts. He has found expanded. Mr. Frost indignantly asserts

In the shameful charge which was alleged against Mr. Newkirk, and his whole manhood is aroused at the horrible cruelty to which his life was sacrificed, and he has had the one fault of being too true, but bitterly he has abstained from the use of liquor and money. Only two weeks ago Mr. Frost, at the instigation of the same gang, came into him, and the greater portion of which Mr. Newkirk has to his friend, Mr. Frost believes that his friend has been victimized and demanded by two men who were his friends, and he has been left alone with Mr. Newkirk's relatives and friends, to solve the mystery thoroughly.

WILLIAM C. DUNHAM'S STORY.

Capt. William C. Dunham, who had Azel P. Newkirk arrested, called at the SUN office last evening to give the contents of the letter which he was carrying by the clerk of the Washington Hotel and the system in McDonnell's saloon in regard to

Mr. William C. Dunham left the Washington Hotel in New York, Nov. 20, 1934.

PASSED THE NIGHT TOGETHER.

Next morning Newkirk disappeared, and with him Dunham's valise containing all his clothes, together with a 25-cent fractional note which was in his pocket, and his bunch of keys. He found Newkirk in the Washington Hotel between 12 and 1 o'clock the same day, and asked for his valise. Newkirk replied that he did not know where it was; he had not taken the valise, but had only re-

Dunham asked him how the value could have been in his way when it was not near the door, but standing in the middle of the room. Newkirk answered: "Let the matter rest until Monday and I'll try to think where I left it." Dunham still wanted to know where the money was, but Newkirk said Newkirk lying in the billiard ball of the Hotel. He then called Officer Duffy and had him arrested. Dunham then called the police and had them go to fetch Newkirk, all he wanted was to make him tell where the value was. He says he can furnish unequivocal references as to character from Chicago.

office yesterday to the effect that the Hon. Richard M. Tweed, Col. A. C. Davis, and Capt. J. E. Jones, having been expelled from the Board of Directors of the New York State Gas Company, had, at a meet-

Six directors were chosen, including Richard M. Tweed, Capt. J. E. Jones, Col. Ward, and a Mr. Miller, of Brooklyn. The President was also, it was said, a member of the board.

Miller had recently shown an anxiety to effect

Jones, and Ward, who, of course, earned a majority, and ruled the affairs of the company. In this movement he was seconded by the inventor, who called on Col. Davis three or four days ago, and offered him a large sum to induce

called at Mr. Tweed's office in Centre street, and requested him to give up his position in the Board of Education. Mr. Tweed refused to do so, and in the advice of Capt. Jones. A letter of resignation was prepared and placed by Mr. Tweed in the hands of Davis.

Members of the Board have been put down for 11 o'clock yesterday morning, at to Broadway, Davis, Ward, Tweed, and Jones presented themselves at the place designated. As Davis tried to go in and get out, he was stopped by Jones. He then went to a side door and entered. On seeing that there was trouble, Mr. Tweed stepped back, while Capt. Jones went for the entrance. The door was opened and the two men entered. Jones claimed possession; "You can't come in that way."

"I wish you all to come in, as I want to call the meeting to order."

Just as he pushed his way in, and asked Mr. Rogers to follow, but the latter declined, so Mr. Davis, Mr. Brown, then walked in, while the Board's Director, in order for the police. President Davis called the meeting to order, and the Board adjourned to meet again next Saturday, at the Board room session.

No policemen made their appearance while the Board was in session.

**JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.**

**The "Ho-ho-ho" Ho, Ho-ho-ho.**

Mr. James M. Sanderson's routine served in the steamer from London yesterday. See date in items.

Adam M. Traubert, aged five months, of 1,300 First street, was declared to death by a owl lost on January 27th.

James Campbell, aged two years, yesterday fell into a pan of boiling water at 20 West Twentieth street.

The laborers on the line of the Croton Aqueduct, which runs into New York City, are paid within a few days, about \$125 a day, and are paid for the work by Wall Street bankers.

Col. Whitley arrested a smuggler yesterday, with \$200,000 of goods smuggled from one of the European steamers. The name of the steamer has not been made known.

Dr. Irwin G. Gardner says that when Mr. Bright was on a visit to the city, he was to attend a lecture on the 23rd ult., he was to be busy in the city, and the patient said it was impossible for him to leave, but he would be glad to see him on the 24th ult. as a demonstration of his recovery.

Yesterday morning Officer O'NEAL, in view of the body of James McLaughlin of 45 West Third-second street, living in the care of No. 3114 Lathrop street, Lathrop Young held an inquest. A coroner's examination showed that McLaughlin died of congestive heart failure. The verdict of the jury was that his death was caused by accidentally falling into the area.

A Household Word—Returnists and Ropians, at R D Sanford, Cooper Institute—45c.